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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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For: PRODUCTION PROCESS FOR WATER-  
ABSORBENT RESIN**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend Table 2 on page 37 of the specification to read

Table 2

	Surface-crosslinked water-absorbent resin powder	Water absorption capacity (g/g) without load	Water absorption capacity (g/g) under load (4.90 kPa/1.96 kPa)	Liquid permeation quantity (g) under load
Example 7	Water-absorbent resin powder (7)	26	24/26	525
Comparative Example 6	Comparative water-absorbent resin (6)	26	24/26	465
Example 8	Water-absorbent resin powder (7)	26	24/26	-
Comparative Example 7	Comparative water-absorbent resin powder (7)	26	23/25	-
Example 9	Water-absorbent resin powder (9)	42	25/38	-
Comparative Example 8	Comparative water-absorbent resin powder (8)	40	22/35	-
Example 16	Water-absorbent resin powder (16)	43	25/38	-

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